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## **Rural Information Center UPDATE**

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Beltsville, MD 20705

### INTERNATIONAL USERS REQUEST **RIC SERVICES**

RIC users include not only 48 of 50 states but also government officials from the British West Indies, the Philippines and Canada. In addition, extension specialists from Guam, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands began using RIC services.

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## THIRTY FIVE STATES JOIN THE RIC PROJECT

Willie Larkin, Alabama Tony Nakazawa, Alaska Nancy Cole, Arizona Nina Boston, Arkansas Larry Dunn, Colorado Dan Kuennen, Delaware Bo Beaulieu, Florida Rusty Brooks, Georgia (pilot) Jeri Marxman, Illinois (pilot) Eldon Fredericks, Indiana Dan Otto, Iowa (pilot) Bill Eberle, Kansas

Sanford Dooley, Louisiana Coordinator not named, Maine Nan Booth, Maryland Ray Valsin, Michigan John Sem, Minnesota Joe Schmidt, Mississippi Tom Henderson, Missouri (pilot) Dave Sharpe, Montana Coordinator not named, Nevada Bob Czerniak, New Mexico (pilot) Bland Franklin, Virginia Ron Anderson, North Dakota Greg Passewitz, Ohio

Mike Woods, Oklahoma Russ Youmans, Oregon Marshall Spayd, Pennsylvania Howard Foster, Rhode Island George Smith, Tennessee Greg Taylor, Texas Dave Rodgers, Utah Betty Scannell and Barry Stryker, Vermont (pilot) Bob Dick, Wisconsin David Taylor, Wyoming

#### RIC OUTREACH: EXHIBITS AND PRESENTATIONS

#### **Exhibits**

\*National Association of County Agricultural Agents Annual Meeting, Charlotte, North Carolina, August 14-18.

\*National Conference on Rural Intercity Passenger Transportation, Omaha, Nebraska, August 22-24.

#### **Presentations**

\*Patricia John gave a presentation on the Rural Information Center at the Rural Library Services Committee meeting at the American Library Association Annual Conference, New Orleans, July 12, 1988. The meeting topic was "Doing Rural Economic Development."

## FY88 RURAL INFORMATION CENTER ANALYSIS:

- User location
- Affiliation
- Rural topics

# States, Territories, Etc. Submitting Highest Number of Requests

District of Columbia17%
Maryland7%
Minnesota6%
Georgia5%
Illinois, Montana, Virginia (4% each)12%
Iowa, Missouri, New Mexico, New York, Pennsylvania (3% each)15%
California, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Nebraska, North Carolina, Vermont, Washington, West Virginia (2% each)18%
Florida, Idaho, Oregon, Texas, Wyoming (1% each)5%
All others15%

# Breakdown of Rural Revitalization Questions

Economic Viability	. 60%
Local Government Services	. 20%
Quality of Life/Natural Resources	. 14%
Leadership/Community Change	6%

#### Affiliation Breakdown

State and County Extension Staff41%
USDA Officials
Universities
Libraries
Community/Rural/Economic Organizations
State Officials, Businesses, and Individuals (4% each)
Federal Officials (non-USDA)3%
Public Interest Groups
Congress, Experiment Stations, and all other (1% each)